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The sustainability of the south's scarce plant communities such as longleaf pine/bluestem, shortleaf pine/oak-hickory, and mixed hardwood/loblolly pine, etc. and all old growth plant communities should be discussed to provide an accurate picture of the forest resource.

As the report stands, industry spokespeople have USFS justification for claiming gigantic, monoculture, even aged, short rotation clearcuts are the cutting edge of sustained yield forest management, when in reality they are the cutting edge of stockholder management and USFS will remain, in the public mind, the puppet of the paper industry.

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